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Vessels inspected at Naples, Messina, and Palermo week ended Oct. 19—Continued.

MESSINA.

Date.	Name of ship.	Destination.	Steerage passengers inspected and passed.	Pieces of baggage inspected and passed.	Pieces of baggage disinfected.
Oct. 15	Saxonia.....	New York.....			

PALERMO.

Oct. 14	Stampalia.....	New York.....	557	400	350
16	Alice.....	do.....			
16	Teresa.....	do.....			
17	Duca d'Aosta.....	do.....	281	200	300
18	Italia.....	do.....	399	350	190
	Total.....		1,237	950	840

Cholera in Sardinia.

During the period from October 2 to 7, 1912, inclusive, there were reported at Cagliari, island of Sardinia, 3 cases of cholera with 2 deaths.

JAPAN.

Cholera Situation.

Surg. Irwin at Yokohama reports October 14: The epidemic of cholera in Japan continues with about the same daily average of 40 cases for the whole Empire as reported by the official gazette. Conditions indicate that the water supplies of the cities in which the disease is present have not become contaminated. The total number of cases reported for all Japan to October 9, 1912, is 1,098. The number of deaths from cholera has not been officially stated, but the mortality is reported to be about 70 per cent.

Consul General Scidmore at Seoul reports as follows: On September 17, 1912, there were reported in the vicinity of Chinnampo, Province of Whanghai, Chosen (Korea), 15 cases of cholera.

Consul West at Kobe reports October 3 relative to cholera at Osaka as follows: Since the outbreak of the disease at Osaka there have been reported 48 cases, with 27 deaths.

Circular on Account of Hookworm.

The following circular has been issued by the agent of the Toyo Kisen Kaisha (Oriental Steamship Co.) at Yokohama:

¶ In view of the fact that the United States Government recently issued stringent orders against admission into the United States of second and third class alien passengers suffering from the disease known as hookworm, we have promulgated the following, which is to be effective from date:

"1. The Toyo Kisen Kaisha have appointed Dr. H. Onishi as port surgeon for this company and he will henceforth, until further advice, examine all intending second and third class passengers for symptoms of this ailment and furnish those free from it with a certificate to that effect. Dr. Onishi will make his examinations at the various hotels during the detention period ordered on account of cholera.

METHOD AND TIME OF EXAMINATION.

"2. Second and third class passengers intending to embark for America are to be examined within 10 days of embarkation and certificate so dated, and those who anticipate traveling via Toyo Kisen Kaisha steamers are required to follow Dr. Onishi's